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- Over 650,000 homes lost power as a blizzard swept through the northeast States, causing cancellations in more than 5,200 flights, and leaving hundreds of cars deserted on roadways. – *USA Today* (See item [4](#))
- Federal agents arrested a San Jose man in a sting operation for allegedly planning to bomb a Bank of America branch in Oakland. – *U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of California* (See item [10](#))
- Police engaged a shooter that opened fire February 11 at the New Castle County Courthouse. Two officers were injured and three individuals, including the man that opened fire, died. – *Associated Press* (See item [24](#))
- No injuries were reported as a tornado caused major damage to several buildings on the University of Southern Mississippi campus February 10. – *Associated Press* (See item [27](#))

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## Energy Sector

1. *February 10, Associated Press* – (National) **Corn shortage idles 20 ethanol plants nationwide.** Although industry experts do not forecast a shortage, a drought has led to corn becoming sparse and has forced close to 20 ethanol plants to stop production.  
Source: <http://www.wvnstv.com/story/21095017/corn-shortage-idles-20-ethanol-plants-nationwide>
2. *February 10, KTAB 32 Abilene* – (Texas) **AFD hazmat, city crews respond after 100 gallons of diesel spills.** The Abilene Fire Department cleaned up 100 gallons of diesel fuel that leaked out of a tanker and into the parking lot of a hotel February 10.  
Source: [http://bigcountryhomepage.com/fulltext?nxd\\_id=570132](http://bigcountryhomepage.com/fulltext?nxd_id=570132)
3. *February 9, Wilkes-Barre Times Leader* – (Pennsylvania) **Fuel leaks at Kingston food mart.** Investigator with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection are investigating a fuel spill that led 500-1,700 gallons to leak from the Convenient Food Mart's underground storage tank into the groundwater. Authorities do not believe any drinking water was affected.  
Source: <http://www.timesleader.com/stories/Fuel-leaks-at-Kingston-food-mart,261666>
4. *February 9, USA Today* – (National) **Massive power outages as northeast blizzard turns deadly.** Over 650,000 homes lost power as a blizzard swept through the northeast States, causing cancellations in more than 5,200 flights, and leaving hundreds of cars deserted on roadways.  
Source: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/weather/2013/02/08/northeast-new-england-blizzard/1900077/>
5. *February 8, Associated Press* – (Louisiana) **Superdome blackout at Super Bowl caused by faulty relay.** A company supplying electricity to the Super Bowl claimed that a device installed to prevent a power failure was the cause of the blackout. The company is looking into whether the outage was due to a design flaw or manufacturer defect.  
Source: <http://chronicle.augusta.com/sports/2013-02-08/superdome-blackout-super-bowl-caused-faulty-relay>

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## Chemical Industry Sector

6. *February 10, KPRC 2 Houston* – (Texas) **1 dead, 1 injured after explosion at Texas chemical plant.** A fire caused an explosion at the Air Liquide cylinder plant in La Porte seriously injured one person and left another unaccounted for. Authorities are still investigating the cause of the explosion.  
Source: <http://wtvr.com/2013/02/10/1-dead-1-injured-after-explosion-at-texas-chemical-plant/>

7. *February 8, Pleasanton Patch* – (California) **Hazardous 1600 pound battery acid spill on Wyoming Street.** A large commercial battery that overturned inside a delivery truck leaked battery acid in Pleasanton. Local emergency responders contained the spill to prevent entry into the storm drain, and the two people exposed to the acid engaged in self-decontamination.

Source: <http://pleasanton.patch.com/articles/firefighters-stop-battery-acid-spill-on-wyoming-street>

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## **Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector**

8. *February 10, Associated Press* – (Massachusetts) **Pilgrim nuclear plant loses power, again.** The Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station shut down February 8 due to loss of offsite power caused by a winter storm. Offsite power was restored and then lost again February 10, and the plant continued to run on backup generators.

Source: <http://www.cbs3springfield.com/story/21095100/pilgrim-nuclear-plant-restores-power-after-storm>

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## **Critical Manufacturing Sector**

Nothing to report

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## **Defense Industrial Base Sector**

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## **Banking and Finance Sector**

9. *February 11, Courthouse News* – (Illinois; International) **SEC busts \$156 million visa scam.** The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission charged an Illinois man with defrauding investors and foreign visa applicants of \$156 million.

Source: <http://www.courthousenews.com/2013/02/11/54729.htm>

10. *February 8, U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of California* – (California) **Federal agents arrest man after he attempts to bomb bank in Oakland.** Federal agents arrested a San Jose man in a sting operation for allegedly planning to bomb a Bank of America branch in Oakland.

Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/sanfrancisco/press-releases/2013/federal-agents-arrest-man-after-he-attempts-to-bomb-bank-in-oakland>

11. *February 8, Denver Business Journal* – (Colorado) **Denver man convicted in \$9.7 million investment scam.** A Denver man was convicted for his role in an investment fraud scheme that defrauded investors of \$9.7 million.  
Source: <http://www.bizjournals.com/denver/news/2013/02/08/denver-man-convicted-in-97-million.html>

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## **Transportation Sector**

12. *February 11, Prescott Daily Courier* – (Arizona) **Interstate 17 northbound reopens north of Highway 179; 89A open too.** Northbound Interstate 17 was closed February 10 between State Route 179 and Flagstaff due to winter weather, and reopened February 11. State Route 89A between Sedona and I-17 was also closed February 10 and reopened February 11.  
Source: <http://www.dcourier.com/main.asp?SectionID=1&SubSectionID=1&ArticleID=115904>
13. *February 11, Associated Press* – (Connecticut; Massachusetts) **Interstate 91 in Conn. closed due to icing.** A 10-mile section of Interstate 91 between Hartford and the Massachusetts border was closed February 11 due to winter weather. Massachusetts also closed I-91 near Longmeadow.  
Source: <http://www.necn.com/02/11/13/Interstate-91-in-Conn-closed-due-to-icin/landing.html?&apID=82bd4f31092b485abf039155a4cba6d8>
14. *February 11, Reuters* – (International) **Carnival cruise ship adrift off Mexican coast after fire.** The Carnival Triumph cruise ship experienced an engine fire February 10 off the coast of Mexico, leaving the ship adrift. A tug was dispatched to bring the ship into port.  
Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/02/11/uk-mexico-carnival-idUSLNE91A01G20130211>
15. *February 10, Associated Press* – (International) **5 dead in cruise ship lifeboat drill in Spain.** An accident during a safety drill killed five crewmembers and hurt three others when a lifeboat fell into the sea in the Canary Islands.  
Source: <http://www.washingtonguardian.com/5-dead-cruise-ship-lifeboat-drill-spain>
16. *February 10, Associated Press* – (Minnesota) **Authorities close Interstate 94 in western Minnesota.** State authorities in Minnesota closed Interstate 94 between Moorhead and Alexandria, as well as sections of Highway 10 and Highway 210 due to low visibility and winter weather.  
Source: [http://bismarcktribune.com/news/state-and-regional/authorities-close-interstate-in-western-minnesota/article\\_353f0642-73d7-11e2-bcfd-001a4bcf887a.html](http://bismarcktribune.com/news/state-and-regional/authorities-close-interstate-in-western-minnesota/article_353f0642-73d7-11e2-bcfd-001a4bcf887a.html)
17. *February 9, Associated Press* – (New York; Massachusetts) **Flights resume at NYC airports after snowstorms, cancellations still expected throughout day.** Airports in

New York City and Boston reopened or planned to reopen February 9 after a winter storm caused flight delays and cancellations.

Source: [http://www.washingtonpost.com/business/flights-resume-at-nyc-airports-after-snowstorms-cancellations-still-expected-throughout-day/2013/02/09/cd868e8c-72d0-11e2-b3f3-b263d708ca37\\_story.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/business/flights-resume-at-nyc-airports-after-snowstorms-cancellations-still-expected-throughout-day/2013/02/09/cd868e8c-72d0-11e2-b3f3-b263d708ca37_story.html)

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## **Agriculture and Food Sector**

18. *February 10, Wisconsin State Journal* – (Wisconsin) **Barn fire kills at least 21 cows near Fort Atkinson.** A fire destroyed a barn, killing 21 cows in Oakland, Wisconsin. It took firefighters several hours to put out the fire, the cause is still under investigation.  
Source: [http://lacrossetribune.com/news/local/barn-fire-kills-at-least-cows-near-fort-atkinson/article\\_11b18176-73c5-11e2-b59a-001a4bcf887a.html](http://lacrossetribune.com/news/local/barn-fire-kills-at-least-cows-near-fort-atkinson/article_11b18176-73c5-11e2-b59a-001a4bcf887a.html)
19. *February 9, Virginian-Pilot* – (Virginia) **Hundreds of chickens perish in Suffolk farm fire.** A fire at a poultry farm in Suffolk, Virginia killed about 1,500 chickens. The cause of the blaze is still under investigation.  
Source: <http://hamptonroads.com/2013/02/hundreds-chickens-perish-suffolk-farm-fire>
20. *February 9, Food Safety News* – (National) **15,000 pounds of country fried steaks recalled nationwide for potentially containing plastic.** AdvancePierre Foods voluntarily recalled over 15,000 pounds of frozen, fully-cooked country fried steak products, because they may contain pieces of plastic.  
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/02/15000-pounds-of-country-fried-steaks-recalled-nationwide-for-potentially-containing-plastic/>
21. *February 8, PR Newswire; Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture* – (Pennsylvania) **Additional deer farms released from chronic wasting disease quarantines.** The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture announced February 8 that quarantines to avoid the spread of Chronic Wasting Disease had been lifted on 14 deer farms after DNA testing confirmed they had no association with two deer that died from the disease in October 2012.  
Source: <http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/additional-deer-farms-released-from-chronic-wasting-disease-quarantines-190375571.html>

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## **Water Sector**

22. *February 9, Pioneer Press* – (Minnesota) **Downtown St. Paul water main rupture floods streets; residents asked to boil water.** A ruptured underground water main in downtown St. Paul leaked an estimated 1.75 million gallons of water onto the streets, disrupting service.  
Source: [http://www.twincities.com/localnews/ci\\_22555002/st-paul-broken-water-main-floods-downtown-streets](http://www.twincities.com/localnews/ci_22555002/st-paul-broken-water-main-floods-downtown-streets)
23. *February 9, Youngstown Vindicator* – (Ohio) **Figures in dumping revealed.** Officials from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced the makeup of the 40,000 gallons of drilling waste intentionally dumped into the storm-sewer system. The debris included drilling mud, brine, and between 1,000 to 1,500 gallons of oil.  
Source: <http://www.vindy.com/news/2013/feb/09/epa-k-gallons-of-waste-collected/>

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## **Public Health and Healthcare Sector**

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## **Government Facilities Sector**

24. *February 11, Associated Press* – (Delaware) **State Police say 3 dead in shooting in lobby of Del. courthouse; shooter among dead.** Police engaged a shooter that opened fire February 11 at the New Castle County Courthouse. Two officers were injured and three individuals, including the man that opened fire, died.  
Source: <http://www.greenfieldreporter.com/view/story/0438594305934d02abf4d449c21d9c1a/US---Courthouse-Shots-Fired>
25. *February 11, WRTV 6 Indianapolis* – (Indiana) **2 students arrested over threats at Fall Creek Valley Middle School in Lawrence.** One student that brought a weapon to Fall Creek Valley Middle School and another student that attacked a teacher and the school principal after an argument were arrested by police February 8.  
Source: <http://www.theindychannel.com/news/local-news/2-students-arrested-over-threats-at-fall-creek-valley-middle-school-in-lawrence>
26. *February 10, ABC News* – (California) **Police: Middle school student threatened to shoot 23 peers, teacher.** Authorities arrested a 12-year-old student from Twin Peaks Middle School after he sent an email claiming he would shoot 23 students and a teacher February 11. Police seized computers, rifles and handguns from his home.  
Source: <http://abcnews.go.com/US/police-middle-school-student-threatened-shoot-23-peers/story?id=18457810>
27. *February 10, Associated Press* – (Mississippi) **Major damage as twister rips through Miss. college town.** No injuries were reported as a tornado caused major

damage to several buildings on the University of Southern Mississippi campus February 10.

Source: <http://www.komonews.com/news/national/Major-damage-as-twister-rips-through-Miss-college-town-190623481.html>

28. *February 10, Associated Press* – (North Carolina) **Power supply returns to NC's DMV headquarters.** After nearly two days without power, the North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles in Raleigh had service restored February 11.  
Source: <http://www.myrtlebeachonline.com/2013/02/10/3321332/power-supply-returns-to-ncs-dmv.html>
29. *February 10, KRQE 13, Albuquerque* – (New Mexico) **Courthouse water leak to cost over \$3M.** Repairs needed after a water leak in a garage under the federal courthouse in Albuquerque were estimated at \$3.4 million dollars.  
Source: <http://www.krqe.com/dpp/news/local/central/courthouse-water-leak-to-cost-over-3m>
30. *February 9, Oklahoman* – (Oklahoma) **Two are charged in bomb threats on Oklahoma Capitol, nursing home.** Police charged two individuals of calling in a bomb threat on the Governor's Mansion and Tuscany Village Nursing Home in Oklahoma February 1.  
Source: [http://newsok.com/two-are-charged-in-bomb-threats-on-oklahoma-capitol-nursing-home/article/3753300?custom\\_click=pod\\_headline\\_crime](http://newsok.com/two-are-charged-in-bomb-threats-on-oklahoma-capitol-nursing-home/article/3753300?custom_click=pod_headline_crime)
31. *February 8, Associated Press* – (Washington) **Security guards wound teen outside FDA lab in Seattle suburb after guard hit by car.** A teenage boy attacked two security guards outside of a Food and Drug Administration lab in Bothell, injuring one. The guards shot and struck the boy as he was fleeing from the scene.  
Source:  
<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/a177714f89bc4fcf80a932929c6fef1/WA--FDA-Office-Shooting>
32. *February 7, Dallas Morning News* – (International) **Grenades explode near U.S. Consulate in Nuevo Laredo.** The U.S. Consulate issued an alert as Mexican soldiers were sent to guard the building after three grenades exploded a few feet from the U.S. Consulate office in Nuevo Laredo.  
Source: <http://www.dallasnews.com/news/local-news/20130207-grenades-explode-near-u.s.-consulate-in-nuevo-laredo.ece>

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## **Emergency Services Sector**

33. *February 11, CNN* – (National) **Search for ex-cop at center of LAPD revenge plot widens.** The search for a former Los Angeles Police Department officer that went on a spree, shooting five individuals and killing two continued as the city of Los Angeles



offered \$1 million in reward money for help in his capture. Several unconfirmed sightings have been reported and even led to an evacuation of a home improvement store.

Source: <http://www.cnn.com/2013/02/11/us/lapd-attacks/index.html>

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## **Information Technology Sector**

34. *February 11, IDG News Service* – (International) **Google warns Myanmar reporters of ‘state-sponsored’ attack of Gmail accounts.** Google warned journalists covering Myanmar (Burma) that Gmail accounts are being targeted by state-sponsored attacks. Source: <http://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/021113-google-warns-myanmar-reporters-of-266576.html>

35. *February 11, Krebs on Security* – (International) **Yahoo! pushing Java version released in 2008.** Yahoo!’s Site Builder tool comes bundled with Java 6 Update 7, a version of Java dating from 2008 that contains a large amount of currently-patched vulnerabilities. Source: <http://krebsonsecurity.com/2013/02/yahoo-pushing-java-version-released-in-2008/>

36. *February 10, IDG News Service* – (International) **Bit9 says attack likely targeted a narrow set of companies.** Security company Bit9 had its network compromised, allowing attackers to issue false certificates. The company stated it believes the compromise was used to target a small group of organizations. Source: <http://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/021113-bit9-says-attack-likely-targeted-266574.html>

### **Internet Alert Dashboard**

To report cyber infrastructure incidents or to request information, please contact US-CERT at [soc@us-cert.gov](mailto:soc@us-cert.gov) or visit their Web site: <http://www.us-cert.gov>

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37. *February 10, WSTP 10, Tampa Bay* – (Florida) **Apartment fire leaves 29 homeless in Tampa.** Eight apartments were a total loss after a fire at the Harbour Walk apartments in Tampa. 29 people were receiving help from the Red Cross to find food, shelter, and clothing.  
Source: <http://www.wtsp.com/news/topstories/article/297419/250/Apartment-fire-leaves-29-homeless-in-Tampa>
38. *February 9, Buffalo News* – (New York) **Fire in smokestack damages Louie's on Elmwood.** A fire in a ventilation system at a Buffalo hot dog restaurant led to \$200,000 dollars' worth of damage. The cause of the fire was something which overheated in the grill's hood system.  
Source: <http://www.buffalonews.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20130209/CITYANDREGION/130209150/1003>
39. *February 9, Edmonds Patch* – (Washington) **Dozen escape fire at Edmonds Alzheimer's care facility.** A 24-hour care facility for Alzheimer's disease evacuated 34 residents for more than 2 hours after an early morning fire was extinguished by a fire sprinkler. The cause of the fire was a commercial dryer.  
Source: <http://edmonds.patch.com/articles/dozens-escape-fire-at-edmonds-alzheimer-s-care-facility>

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## **Dams Sector**

40. *February 9, Associated Press* – (Mississippi) **Percy Quin Park dam repairs under way.** A portion of the \$5 million dollars to repair the dam and spillway at Percy Quin State Park will be reimbursed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Hurricane Isaac did not destroy the dam but caused major damage in September 2012.  
Source: <http://www.wdam.com/story/21090259/percy-quin-park-dam-repairs-under-way>

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